# STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES Land Division Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

April 26, 2013

Board of Land and Natural Resources State of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii

PSF No. 13OD-054

Oahu

Issuance of Right-of-Entry Permit to Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association for Canoe Race Event, from October 12 to October 13, 2013, at Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, Tax Map Key: (1) 2-3-037: portions of 021.

# **APPLICANT**:

Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association (OHCRA), a domestic non-profit corporation

# **LEGAL REFERENCE**:

Sections 171-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.

# **LOCATION:**

Portion of Government lands of Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, identified as Tax Map Key: (1) 2-3-037: portions of 021, as shown on the attached Exhibit 1.

# AREA:

6,100 square feet, more or less

# **ZONING:**

State Land Use District:

Urban

# TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(a) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act

DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: No

# **CURRENT USE STATUS:**

The requested beach areas are unencumbered

# **CHARACTER OF USE:**

Canoe Race Event

# TERM:

From 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 12, 2013 until 6 p.m. on Sunday, October 13, 2013.

#### **RENTAL:**

\$1, 220.00 (One time payment based on  $10^{\circ}$  per square foot per day.)

#### **COLLATERAL SECURITY DEPOSIT:**

None

#### CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule Section 11-200-8(a)(1) and (4) and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources approved by the Environmental Council and dated December 4, 1991, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 1, that states "Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing" and Class No. 4, that states "Minor alteration in the conditions of land, water, or vegetation.", as included in Exhibit 2.

# **DCCA VERIFICATION:**

Place of business registration confirmed:	YES <u>x</u>	NO
Registered business name confirmed:	YES x	NO
Applicant in good standing confirmed:	YES x	NO

# **REMARKS:**

The Molokai Hoe Long Distance Canoe Race event consists of approximately forty-one (41) nautical miles beginning at Hale-O-Lono Harbor on the island of Molokai, and terminates offshore from Duke Kahanamoku Beach in Waikiki; located on the island of Oahu. The canoe race is scheduled for Sunday, October 13, 2013, starting at 8 A.M. and

is expected to conclude from four to six hours thereafter.

Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association (OHCRA) requests that the Board approve of a right-of-entry permit for its use over specific areas of the Duke Kahanamoku Beach. The Applicant's request to use the beach is for the purpose of bringing closure to the canoe race event. A setting up of tented areas upon three (3) specific areas of the beach is scheduled to begin at 4 P.M. on Saturday, October 12, 2013, and a teardown of those areas is scheduled for the following day, at 6 P.M. on Sunday, October 13, 2013.

For Board approval purposes of this request, the subject right-of-entry permit includes Beach Areas: 1, 2, and 3, only. See Exhibit 3.

Area 1 is intended to be an Awards Stage/Hospitality/Webcast Area, located within close proximity to the parking lot of the Ala Wai Boat Harbor. The crew members will land their canoes on the beach area fronting Area 1.

Area 2 is the Exhibitors Area consisting of exhibitor booths/tents for the displaying of promotional materials associated with the sport of canoe racing. No commercial types of activities are allowed within this area.

Area 3 is intended for use as a Canoe Exit Area and is located nearby to the parking lot where the awaiting canoe trailers will be staged. It is within this area that the canoes will be partially disassembled in preparation for transporting and exiting purposes. Items related to the closing of the event will also be located within this area.

After each canoe finishes the race, their accompanying escort boat will proceed to the Hilton Hawaiian Village Pier (HHVP), currently encumbered under Revocable Permit No. 7566, to enable the unloading of support crew members. Revocable Permit No. 7566 requires a \$1.50 toll per paying customer. Staff understands HHV is not charging any support crew member for using the pier. Therefore, staff does not believe HHV needs to pay the State the \$1.50 toll per support crew member.

No requests were routed to government and/or community agencies for comments since there are currently no outstanding issues associated with this request.

Staff has no objections to the subject request.

Applicant has not had a lease, permit, easement or other disposition of State lands terminated within the past five years due to non-compliance with such terms and conditions.

# **RECOMMENDATION**: That the Board

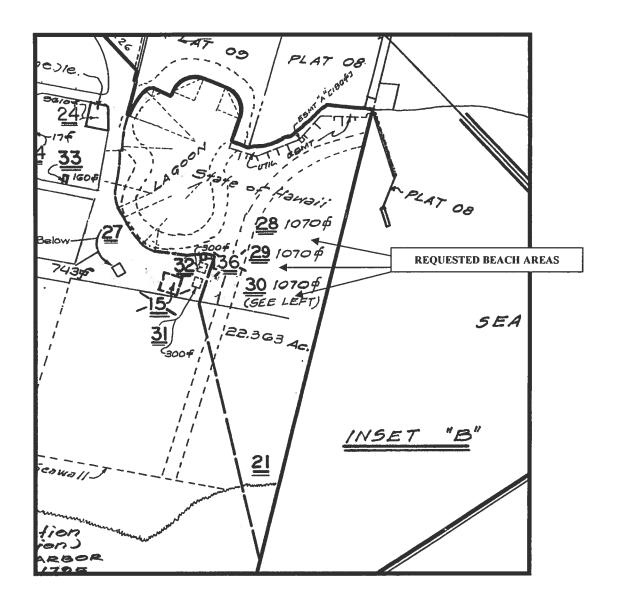
- 1. Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200, HAR, this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.
- 2. Authorize the issuance of a right-of-entry permit to Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association for the purpose of covering the subject area for a canoe race event under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the following:
  - a. The standard terms and conditions of the most current right-of-entry form, as may be amended from time to time; and
  - b. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

Timmy Chee
Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

William J. Aila Jr., Chairperson



TAX MAP KEY: (1) 2-3-037: PORTIONS OF 21

# **EXHIBIT 1**

# **EXEMPTION NOTIFICATION**

regarding the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Chapter 343, HRS and Chapter 11-200, HAR

Project Title:

Issuance of a Right-of- Entry Permit to Oahu Hawaiian Canoe

Racing Association for a Canoe Race Event

Project / Reference No.:

PSF 13OD-054

**Project Location:** 

Waikiki, Honolulu, Oahu, Tax Map Key: (1) 2-3-037: portions of:

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Project Description:

Canoe Race Event

Chap. 343 Trigger(s):

Use of State Land

Exemption Class No.:

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This Division has permitted similar events in the past. The proposed activity is of a similar type and scope of beach activities that periodically occurred and continues to occur on this and other beach areas across the State. Such activities have resulted in no known significant impacts, whether immediate or cumulative, to the natural, environmental and/or cultural resources in the area. As such, staff believes that the proposed event would involve negligible or no expansion or change in use of the subject area beyond that previously existing.

**Consulted Parties** 

Not applicable

**EXHIBIT 2** 

Recommendation:

That the Board find this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is presumed to be exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

> Wittiam J. Aila Jr., Chairperson 3/28/13
> Date

